

## **CITY OF BURBANK**

### **SENIOR TREE TRIMMER**

#### **DEFINITION**

Under supervision to trim, prune, plant, and perform basic tree maintenance; to remove street and park trees; to climb trees and operate aerial devices and other tree maintenance equipment for the purpose of trimming, root pruning, and top working; to assist with chemical spray operation; and to do related work as required.

#### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

Trims, prunes, and maintains street and park trees, working from the ground, from ladders and aerial devices, and by climbing trees with the aid of ropes, climbers, safety belts and aerial towers; uses small and large power equipment and hand tools to cut and trim trees; plants and removes trees; irrigates, cultivates, chemically sprays and fertilizes trees and shrubs; supervises the work of tree trimmers who are working on the same assignment; supervises a tree trimming crew in Leadworker's absence; may be required to drive a light or heavy truck, or operate stump remover, crane truck, root cutters, spray rig, brush chippers, and skip loader and attachments; and may also be required to cut and remove concrete, and make immediate minor repairs to damaged irrigation systems.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

##### **Employment Standards:**

- Knowledge of - characteristics pertaining to common shade and ornamental trees used for park and street trees; the methods and equipment used in planting, bracing, spraying, injecting, pruning, trimming and removing trees and shrubs; and willingness to observe good safety practices.
- Skill in - using power saws, shears, axes, pruning tools, and other standard tree trimming tools and equipment.
- Ability to - climb trees; use ladders and lines in tree work; perform heavy manual labor; follow written and oral directions; safely drive a light or heavy truck and safely operate a crane truck and aerial device; establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, fellow employees, and the public.

**Education/Training:** Two years of recent paid full-time experience in general tree maintenance work, including tree trimming and tree climbing.

**Special Conditions & Requirements:** Employees in this classification, who are required by applicable laws and regulations to have respiratory protection, shall comply with the American Standards Institute's requirements on Practices for Respiratory Protection.

**License & Certificates:** A valid California Class "A" driver's license or equivalent is required at time of appointment; must have certification as a Tree Worker by the International Society of Arboriculture Western Chapter at time of appointment. A crane certification may be required based on job assignment.

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

None.